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Recommendations of the World Conference of United Nations Women's Decade

1117. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM:
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have examined the recommendations made in the World Conference of United Nations Women's Decade held in Nairobi;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) the manner in which Government propose to ensure participation of women in the matter of decision making and policy making procedures at National, State and local levels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) to (c). The World Conference on the UN Decade for Women chalked out and adopted the Nairobi Forward looking Strategies for Women (1986-2000) to achieve the goals and objectives of the UN Decade. The Government, which is one of the signatories of the document, is committed to ensure participation of women in all spheres of National Development. The setting up of the National Commission for Women is a step in this direction. Bills have also been introduced in Parliament for reservation of seats for women representatives at all levels of the Panchayat System and in local Municipal bodies.

Setting up of Sports Schools in Aligarh and Gaya

1118. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM:
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up schools on the pattern of National Sports Institute of Patiala particularly in Aligarh, U.P. and Gaya in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details in regard thereto; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) The National Institute of Sports at Patiala and its Units functioning at Calcutta, Bangalore and Gandhinagar take care of all present requirements of Regular Coaching Courses and Academics, including Sports Sciences.

Implementation of Family Welfare Programme with Foreign Assistance in States

1119. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of family welfare programmes being implemented with foreign assistance, State-wise;

(b) the targets fixed and achievements made in this regard so far; and

(c) the reasons for not achieving the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the house.

Cancellation of Trains

1120. SHRI ABHAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Unchahar Express has been cancelled recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to introduce any other train in its place;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether some passenger coaches of the train have been attached to other trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d). Unchahar Express has been withdrawn temporarily to conserve diesel locomotives to cater to peak season goods traffic. This train will be restored during April, 1992.

(e) No, Sir.

Technical assistance to Zimbabwe

1121. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rail India Technical and Economic Services Limited (RITES) have signed any contract with the World Bank to provide technical assistance to Zimbabwe;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of experts and other personnel proposed to be sent to Zimbabwe by the Government under the contract?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). RITES have signed a contract with the National Railways of Zimbabwe (NRZ) on December 17, 1991, to provide technical assistance to strengthen the maintenance and operations of the NRZ system for the calander year, 1992. The NRZ is being provided aid by the World Bank for the project. RITES envisages deputing 38 persons, including computer specialists, engineers, supervisors and technicians from India to undertake the work.

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Production and Export of Sugar

1122. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken to increase the production and export of sugar during the current year;

(b) the quantity of sugar produced and exported during 1990-91 and 1991-92;

(c) the details of incentives introduced to increase the production of sugar during the current year; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) For increasing sugar production during the current 1991-92 season, Government has taken various measures